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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 11, 2006, the time for Responding to which has been extended by the accompanying Request for an Extension of Time, Applicants submit this response. Kindly enter the amendment.

Amendments to the Specification: none

Amendments to the Claims: begin on page 2 of this submission.

Amendments to the Drawings: none

Applicants' Remarks: begin on page 8 of this submission.

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